

PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

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GP-300567

CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
TOTAL CLAIMS	28	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	28 minus 20 =	8
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	7 minus 3 =	4
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT <input type="checkbox"/>		

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	6	30	=
Independent	3	7	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total			=
Independent			=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total			=
Independent			=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."

*** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐ OR

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	355.00
X\$ 9=	
X40=	
+135=	
TOTAL	

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	710.00
X\$18=	144
X80=	320
+270=	
TOTAL	1174

SMALL ENTITY OR

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X40=	
+135=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X80=	
+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
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TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
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RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X80=	
+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
CONTROLLING A HYBRID VEHICLE

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 13

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REMARKS

This amendment is in response to the interview of May 27, 2004 and the Office Action mailed on May 10, 2004, where Claims 25-30 were rejected. Claims 25-30 remain pending.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C § 102 and 103

On page 2 of the Office Action, The Examiner rejected Claims 25-29 under 35 U.S.C § 103 as being unpatentable over Long III et al. in view of Yanase et al.

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Applicants have resubmitted a Rule 1.131 affidavit eliminating Yanase et al. as a reference. Yanase et al. has an international filing date prior to November 29, 2000. Thus the Examiner may rely only on the U.S. filing date of Yanase et al. which is February 16, 2001. Applicants have sworn behind the U.S. filing date of Yanase et al. The remaining cited art fails to disclose all of the limitations of Claims 25-30. Thus, Claims 25-30 are not taught or suggested by the cited art.

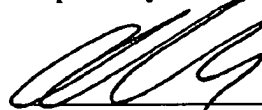
If the Examiner relies on personal knowledge that the apparatus of the present invention is obvious, Applicants respectfully request support for this assertion in the form of an affidavit that shall be subject to contradiction or explanation by the affidavits of the Applicant and other persons under 37 C.F.R. 1.104 (d)(2).

CONCLUSION

The entire Office Action dated May 10, 2004, has been carefully reviewed and this response is submitted as being fully responsive thereto. In view of the preceding remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 25-30 are in condition for allowance and respectfully request such action at the Examiner's earliest convenience. If the Examiner believes that personal contact would be advantageous to the disposition of this case, he is requested to call the undersigned at his earliest convenience.

If for some reason a fee needs to be paid, as well as one-month extension fee, please charge our Deposit Account No. 07-0960, which may be due.

Respectfully submitted,



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